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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

Before a local provider began offering competitive services, higher bandwidth and faster and better service, there was only one provider in my area. This sole provider was named one of the worst company in the USA. In a market system, bad service means customers go to the other guy, and the bad service loses money, goes out of business, hence no longer using up resources for their failed plans.

Successful businesses are rewarded for their use of scarce resources, the unsuccesful ones do not get to use our planets scarce resources. It is a simple structure that works well, if allowed to work. Now let us imagine this case for other businesses.

You own a car with very low safety standards and low satisfaction. You want something safer and better for yourself and your family. Unfortunately this car is the only provider legally allowed on the market. You must trust this car with your family's lives.

The supermarket in town requently has poor health standards and the food is not well. You would love to feed your family better but this is the only store in the area.

You get the picture.

Let people innovate. Innovation helps customers and even bad companies get better.

The only thing can get in the way of people trying something better is someone with the power of the law telling them, "Sorry, tough luck."

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